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Memorandum

TO: Academy Directors
FROM: Ryan P. Powell, Director 
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RE: NIMS Training
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Recently, POST Council authorized staff to explore the use of obtaining training hours through the use of on-line (Internet) training or computer-based training as long as the training has been evaluated and pre-approved by POST staff. We are still in the process of developing a policy which conforms with the Council's guidelines and, at the same time, is manageable for staff on a day to day basis.

However there is one topic that must be addressed now. As you are aware, there are federal as well as state mandates requiring law enforcement officers to obtain training on the National Incident Management System (NIMS.) This training is currently being offered in the traditional manner as well as on-line. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) offers the Incident Command System's (ICS) level 700 and 100 courses on-line to officers. Once an officer completes the training and passes the test, they receive a completion certificate by the mail in approximately three weeks.

By this memo, I am authorizing your staff to enter any computer-based NIMS training submitted by an officer which is documented by a course completion certificate from FEMA. The certificate should document the number of training hours completed. In the case that no hours are indicated on the certificate, please give the officer three (3) hours credit unless additional documentation is provided which indicates otherwise. Following are the course codes to be used for these courses. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

IHM24G = NIMS: ICS-700 NIMS Introductory Course

IHM20G = NIMS: ICS-100 INTRO to Incident Command System (ICS)